

On the Singularities of Analytic Functions Defined by L -Dirichletian Elements

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In this note, using the Džrbasjan–Mandelbrojt inequality, we locate the singularities of analytic functions defined by L -Dirichletian elements. Though Džrbasjan remarks that his inequality can be used to locate the singularities of functions defined by the Dirichlet–Taylor series, it is the convergence theory we established earlier [M. Blambert and M. Berland, *C. R. Acad. Sci. Paris* **280** (1975), 263–266; M. Blambert and R. Parvatham, *Ann. Inst. Fourier* **29** (1979), 239–262] that leads us exactly to determine the natural boundaries of such functions, whereas Džrbasjan is never concerned with the convergence of such a series, as he himself states.

Let us consider an L -Dirichletian element,

$$\{f\}: \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P_n(s) \exp(-\lambda_n s), \quad s = \sigma + it, (\sigma, \tau) \in \mathbb{R}^2, \quad (1)$$

where $P_n(s)$ is a complex polynomial of degree m_n , $(\lambda_n)_1^\infty$ is a D -sequence (that is, a positive, strictly increasing, unbounded sequence) with upper density $D^* < \infty$. Let $P_n(s) = \sum_{j=0}^{m_n} a_{n,j} s^j$, where $a_{n,m_n} \neq 0$; let \mathcal{E}_n be the set of points of \mathbb{C} which are zeros for P_n and let \mathcal{E}_∞ be the set of points of \mathbb{C} which are zeros for an infinity of polynomials P_n . Let us put $\mathcal{E} = \bigcup_n \mathcal{E}_n$ and $\mathcal{E}^* = \mathcal{E}^d \cup \mathcal{E}_\infty$, where \mathcal{E}^d is the derived set of \mathcal{E} , and let us suppose that $\mathbb{C} - \mathcal{E}^* \neq \emptyset$. Let us define

$$\forall s \in \mathbb{C} - \mathcal{E}^* \quad \delta_*(s) = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \frac{-\text{Log} |P_n(s) \exp(-\lambda_n s)|}{\lambda_n} \right\}$$

and

$$\mathcal{L}_{*\alpha} = \{s \in \mathbb{C} - \mathcal{E}^* \mid \delta_*(s) > \alpha\}.$$

We know that [1, 2] under the conditions $D^* < \infty$ (which implies trivially that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \log n / \lambda_n = 0$) and $\beta^* = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} (m_n / \lambda_n) < \infty$, the series (1)

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converges absolutely in \mathcal{D}_{*0} and diverges in $\mathbb{C} - \mathcal{E}^* - \bar{\mathcal{D}}_{*0}$, where $\bar{\mathcal{D}}_{*0}$ is the closure of \mathcal{D}_{*0} . Let us put

$$L(s) = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{s^2}{\lambda_n^2}\right)^{m_n+1},$$

$$M_n = \text{Max} \left\{ \frac{|\gamma_{n,i}|}{i!} \mid i \in \{0, 1, \dots, m_n\} \right\}$$

(where $\gamma_{n,i}$ is the value at $s = \lambda_n$ of the i th derivative of the function $s \mapsto (s - \lambda_n)^{m_n+1}/L(s)$, which is defined by continuity at the point λ_n),

$$\gamma = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \frac{\text{Log } M_n}{\lambda_n} \right\}$$

and

$$\gamma^+ = \text{Max}(0, \gamma).$$

Denoting by \bar{D}^* the mean upper density of the sequence (λ_n) [4, 5], we can prove the following:

THEOREM 1. *Under the conditions*

$$D^* < \infty, \quad \beta^* < \infty, \quad |\gamma| < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{D}_{*,0} \neq \emptyset,$$

*we cannot obtain a holomorphic extension of the function $\mathcal{D}_{*0} \ni s \rightarrow f(s)$ (where $f(s)$ is the sum of the series (1) at the point s) to the open set $\mathcal{D}_{*, -\gamma^+} \cup (\bigcup_{s \in \text{Fr } \mathcal{D}_{*, -\gamma^+}} d(s, \pi R))$ with $R > \bar{D}^*$.*

Proof. Following the notations of Dzrbasjan [4], using the Dzrbasjan–Mandelbrojt inequality [5, 4] and proceeding as in another of our papers ([3, see inequality (II.3)]), we get

$$\left| \sum_{j=0}^{m_n} a_{n,j} s_0^j \right| \leq \left[\frac{\pi^2 R}{2} \exp(2v(R)) \right] \omega_n \lambda_n M^f(s_0, \pi R) \exp[\lambda_n \sigma_0],$$

where v is the excess function for Dzrbasjan sequence [4], $M^f(s_0, \pi R)$ is the maximum modulus of the holomorphic extension of f to the disc $d(s_0, \pi R)$ along a channel of width $2\pi R$, with the Jordan arc joining the point s_0 to a point s_1 as its axis, such that $d(s_1, \pi R) \subset \mathcal{D}_{*0}$. Hence

$$|P_n(s_0) \exp(-s_0 \lambda_n)| \leq A(R) \lambda_n \omega_n M^f(s_0, \pi R).$$

Now for $s_0 \in \mathbb{C} - \mathcal{E}^*$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\delta_*(s_0) &= \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \frac{-\operatorname{Log} |P_n(s_0) \exp(-s_0 \lambda_n)|}{\lambda_n} \right\} \\ &\geq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \frac{-\operatorname{Log} \omega_n}{\lambda_n} \right\}.\end{aligned}$$

We know that [3, see inequality (II.2)]

$$\limsup \left\{ \frac{\operatorname{Log} \omega_n}{\lambda_n} \right\} \leq \gamma \leq \gamma^+.$$

Hence, finally we have

$$\delta_*(s_0) \geq -\gamma^+ \quad (\Rightarrow s_0 \in \mathcal{D}_{*-\gamma^+}).$$

Now let us suppose that there exists a point $s'_0 \in \operatorname{Fr}(\mathcal{D}_{*,-\gamma^+-\epsilon})$ with $\epsilon > 0$, such that f admits a holomorphic extension to $d(s'_0, \pi R)$ along a channel of width $2\pi R$ with the Jordan arc joining s'_0 to s_1 as axis, such that $d(s_1, \pi R) \subset \mathcal{D}_{*,0}$. By definition we have $\delta_*(s'_0) = -(\gamma^+ + \epsilon) < -\gamma^+$. But as a consequence of the result established above, we must have $\delta_*(s'_0) \geq -\gamma^+$. Hence a contradiction establishes the truth of the theorem.

Now we also have

COROLLARY 2. *If $\gamma^+ = 0$ and $\bar{D}^* = 0$, then $\operatorname{Fr}(\mathcal{G})$ is a natural boundary for the analytic function defined by (1) in \mathcal{G} , where \mathcal{G} is a connected component of $\mathcal{D}_{*,0}$. If $\mathcal{D}_{*,0}$ has more than one connected component, then to each connected component there corresponds an analytic function defined by (1) in that component.*

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